## <u>FALLEN FINEST</u>

## POLICE OFFICER VINCENT GUIDICE

50 Precinct

n May 22, 1996, Police Officer Vincent Guidice died after suffering a deep cut to his leg while attempting to subdue a domestic violence suspect who was resisting arrest.



on Sedgwick Avenue in the Kingsbridge section of the Bronx. The suspect had thrown a mirror at his girlfriend during an argument. It was the second time in two days that officers had been called to the apartment.

When Officer Guidice and his partner arrived, they observed the suspect punch the complainant in the face. The officer attempted to place the male under arrest, and a violent struggle ensued. During the struggle Officer Guidice fell onto a shard of the broken mirror. The mirror shard severed an artery in his leg. Officer Guidice's partner put his bare hands over his partner's wound until paramedics arrived and took him to Jacobi Medical Center.

After several hours of surgery, it was believed that Officer Guidice would survive his injuries, however, the loss of blood sustained when the injury occurred was too great. Officer Guidice died from his injuries several hours after coming out of surgery.

The suspect was acquitted of manslaughter, assault, and resisting arrest charges in connection with Officer Guidice's death. However, he was convicted of second degree attempted assault against his girlfriend and sentenced to four years in prison. He was released in July 1999.

Police Officer Vincent Guidice was 27 years old and had served with the NYPD for 4 years. He was survived by his parents, Vito and Eileen and his brother, Paul.

